did you wish to be recognized?

SENATOR BURBACH: Point of personal privilege, sir.

PRESIDENT: State your point, Senator.

SENATOR BURBACH: I'd like to make a little report of the trip that we made to Washington and what we accomplished, if anything. I will explain to you the action that was taken in Washington and the part that Senator Epke, Kime, and Rasmussen and myself played in that trip to Washington. If you will recall last Tuesday morning, I explained to this body that there was going to be a roll back come out of the Rules Committee of livestock agricultural products and the exports of hides and so forth, roll back to January the 10th, 1973, and that there would be a loss of approximately \$100 per critter going to the market. I can say that this state here was the first to recognize the problem as a Legislature and as a Governor. This is one of the advantages, extreme advantages, that we have here in a unicameral non-partisan system. In a matter of a few moments, outside of the printing of a Resolution, a decision was made by this body without a descending vote. We did not need to confer with the other house. There is We did not need to confer with party leaders. none. made a decision which was extremely important and beneficial to the state of Nebraska and its number one industry. In the state of Iowa, the Governor, after he was approached by a senator of Iowa, Senator Epke took it upon himself to visit with a senator of Iowa who he knows personally and the Senate, only the Senate, provided a Resolution somewhat similar to ours. Iowa.. I mean Kansas and South Dakota, their Legislatures are not in session. I did visit with the Governors of both of these states and visit with many influential people in Minnesota, so the five state area worked very closely together in explaining to the Congress of the United States, not only to the delegation representing those five states but to many others. And in Congress where it is strictly partisan politics, ten Democrats on the Rules Committee and five Republicans on the Rules Committee, they thought there were sufficient votes to kill the amendment. The chairman did not bring it up for a vote because he felt as though he was beat. Upon the absenteeism of a senator from Califor...a Congressman from California, Fisk, who had gone home on Thursday, early Thursday morning, that Chairman called the Rules Committee together and then took a vote and a few other votes had been turned around over night. The end result was, however, that the March 16th figure be used for the roll back instead of January 10th. As I indicated, there will be approximately \$9.00 a hundred rollback on livestock, using January 10 figure. There will be approximately a \$2.00, \$2.50 rollback using the March 16th figure. There has been a net gain of \$7.00. We are hopeful today that the Congress in its wisdom will reject that Resolution or that amendment to the bill. Time will only tell. I believe we were very instrumental in helping form the minds of those people who worked with us in the endeavor to convince the Rules Committee and the Congressional delegation. This group was put together on a Wednesday evening and the following Tuesday noon four members of this Legislature were on their way to Washington, so this is

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